



SPONSOR: Sen. Townsend

DELAWARE STATE SENATE  
149th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 1  
TO  
SENATE BILL NO. 44

AMEND Senate Bill No. 44 by inserting a new section following line 11 as follows:

“Section 2. Amend § 4798(d), Title 16 of the Delaware Code by making insertions as shown by underlining and deletions as shown by strike through as follows:

(d) A dispenser including those dispensing an amount deemed medically necessary for a 72-hour supply, shall submit the required information regarding each prescription dispensed for a controlled substance, in accordance with the transmission methods and frequency established by regulation issued by the Office of Controlled Substances. When needed for bona fide research purposes and in accordance with applicable regulation, the Office of Controlled Substances may require a dispenser to submit the required information regarding each prescription dispensed for a drug of concern, but in no event should dispensers be required to submit such information any more frequently than that required for controlled substances. The following information shall be submitted for each prescription:

- (1) Pharmacy name;
- (2) Dispenser DEA registration number;
- (3) Dispenser National Provider Identifier (NPI);
- ~~(3)~~ (4) Date drug was dispensed;
- ~~(4)~~ (5) Prescription number;
- ~~(5)~~ (6) Whether prescription is new or a refill;
- ~~(6)~~ (7) NDC code for drug dispensed;
- ~~(7)~~ (8) Quantity dispensed;
- ~~(8)~~ (9) Approximate number of days supplied;
- ~~(9)~~ (10) Patient name and date of birth;
- ~~(10)~~ (11) Patient address;
- ~~(11)~~ (12) Prescriber DEA registration number and name;

- 24                    (13) Prescriber NPI;
- 25                    ~~(42)~~ (14) Date prescription issued by prescriber.”

#### SYNOPSIS

This amendment enhances the capabilities of the Prescription Monitoring Program. The National Provider Identifier (NPI) number is a unique identifier and will allow the Office of Controlled Substances to aggregate prescriber and pharmacy PMP data accurately. Currently, prescribers with multiple DEA numbers, when data are being aggregated for analysis, appear in the PMP as separate instances when aggregated on DEA numbers. The addition of the NPI numbers for dispensers and prescribers will eliminate the need for PMP staff to manually match and aggregate prescribers for analysis.

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